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TREASON
IN
IRELAND

For the blowing up of the Kings *Engliſh* Forces, With a hundred Barrells of *Gun-powder*; with the Names of the chiefe Agents; and the manner of the Diſcovery, *December the tenth.*

VVith a Relation of the crueltie of the *Iriſh* Rebels uſed againſt the *Engliſh* Proteſtants there, killing them, raviſhing the Women, cutting them to pieces, hanging them *by the haire of the head, ſcalding them, cutting off their heads, and firing their Townes and Houſes.*

With two Battels fought betwixt the Proteſtants and the Rebels: the Rebels having the worſt in both.

With a Plot diſcovered at *Athigh.*

Sent into *England* by Mr *Hierome*, Miniſter of Gods Word at *Athigh* in *Ireland.*

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TREASON IN *IRELAND* for the blowing up of the Kings *Engliſh Forces, with* 100. Barrels of Gunpowder, with the names of the chiefe Agents; and the manner *of the Diſcovery. Decemb.* 10. With a Relation, &c.

ABout the ſpace of ſix miles from *Dublin* in *Ireland*, there is a Town inhabited with *Iriſh*, called *Rockoll*, in which Town is no more *Engliſh* inhabited, ſave onely two, *William Clark*, is the name of the one, the other is a Widdow, both Inne-keepers in *Rockoll*.

About a mile from the ſaid *Rockoll*, dwelleth one *Patricke Locke*, at the foot of the hill called the hill *Rockall*. The ſaid *Patricke Locke* is a great Papiſt, and a man of great meanes in thoſe parts, having a very great eſtate, who had vaulted his houſe round about: in which Vaults he hath kept foure ſeverall Smiths, and Forges, working upon proviſion for warre, ever ſince the firſt Treaty with the *Engliſh*

and *Scots*, that is for the ſpace of theſe two yeers.

He hath alſo ſince the firſt intent of riſing of the Rebels in *Ireland*, he hath entertained foureſcore men, who by the Rebels have been ſet on work, to vault the ſaid hill *Rockell* round about.

This Vault is ſo farre finiſhed, that there is entertained in a Vault wherein they have undermined the hill great ſtore of Rebels; to the number of about 500. as is credibly reported: whereof one hundred are Popiſh Prieſts, Friers, and Jeſuites.

The paſſage over this hill is a great rode through which they paſſe from *Dublin* to the chiefeſt part in the Countrey towards *Munſter*, and other places where the Rebels for the moſt part lie, and the Countrey is moſt oppreſſed: ſo that when the Kings Majeſties Army had been come into *Ireland* from *England*, to relieve the Proteſtants againſt the Rebels: this Hill was the direct and readie Rode for them to paſſe over in the Vault whereof, which they had digged for that purpoſe. They have been preparing powder in readineſſe as they could plot it; expecting thereby to blow up the Hill therewith, when the Army marched over it.

There was one of the Rebels called *William Raſter*, that was taken by Colonell *Carot Topey*, who diſcovered this plot, and confeſſed that the ſaid Hill was all undermined, and that there was 100. barrels of powder in the Vault, and their purpoſe was, that if they could take *Athigh*, and the Caſtle, they then knew that when the Kings Forces came to *Dublin*, they would immediately move that way, becauſe by that place they ſhould be much

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ſtrengthened: and to come to them the way doth lie directly over the ſaid Hill Rickoll, and with the ſaid powder in the Hill they had determined to blow them up as they paſſed by.

And he diſcovered moreover that *M. Ochaſhen* of *Azabe* in the Queens County, about 20. miles from *Athigh*, and 8. miles from the Fort of *Leiſe*, together with Sir *Florence Fitch-Patricke* of Caſtle Town ſhould have come by night with 5000. armed men to the Fort of *Leiſe*, and lie as Souldiers that were to ward, the Papiſts within had agreed, and were appointed to let in a certain Company of the Rebels appointed for that purpoſe to burn and batter down the Town.

Hereupon Captain *Picket* went forth to meet that Company with 500. men, who fell upon them, and ſlew 3. or 400. of the Rebels; and the reſt fled into the woods.

Himſelf ſuſtained the loſſe of 60. men, ſlain and dangerouſly hurt.

The ſaid Rebels did rove extraordinarie up and down in *Ireland*, on Thurſday the 3. of *December*, 1641. and did them much hurt in divers places of the Countrey. They came to the Town of *Rockall* ſpoken of before, on the ſame day. The Rebels had a paire of Bag-pipes which played before them, as they marched which played exceeding loud, which the Town hearing, roſe to meet them, and at the Towns end ſaluted them, and made them great entertainment, and joyned themſelves with them by an oath.

Afterwards they went to the aforeſaid *Engliſh*

Inhabitants, *William Clark*, and there they ſlew him, his wife, children, and family, 7. perſons in number, of whom they left not one alive, but cruelly murthered them. From thence they marched to the *Naſſey*, that is about 5. miles, a Town of *Iriſh* Inhabitants, alſo they did go to the houſe of an *Engliſh* man, called *Henry Orell*, where they ſlew his wife an ancient woman, and raviſhed her daughter in the moſt barbarous manner that ever was known: and when they had done, pulled her limbs aſunder, and mangled her body in pieces without pitie or Chriſtianity.

From thence they marched the next day towards *Athigh*, which is 10. miles from the *Naſſey*, towards which place having marched about a mile from the *Naſſey* aforeſaid, they came to the Town of *Puckingell*, a Town inhabited of *Engliſh*, where they fell upon the Inhabitants thereof, and ſlew them in a cruell manner, without mercy, to the number of above 20. families, men, women, and children. One woman above the reſt, they hanged at her own doore, with her children by the haire of the head: and afterwards burnt up the whole town with fire.

Having made that place deſolate, they marched the next day forward, as before, and having marched ſome three miles further, they came to an *Engliſh*-mans houſe, where firſt they ſlew the man at the doore, and afterwards they entred the houſe, where they found the woman and her maide a brewing; for it was an Alehouſe, where they brewed their owne drinke: The Maid they tooke and raviſhed, and when they had abuſed her body, at their

pleaſure,

pleaſure, they threw her into the boyling Caldron, or panne of wort, that was then over the fire: and her Miſtris they ſlew, and cut off her head: and afterwards fired the houſe.

Then they went on toward the Towne of *Athigh*, with an intent to ſurprize the Towne and Caſtle; but God prevented their intentions by one Maſter *Carot Topey*, an Engliſh Colonell under the States there, appointed by the Lords, Iuſtices, and Counſell, over 500 foote, and 100 horſe, who with his Regiment fell upon them, and ſlew 300 of the Rebells, and put the reſt to flight.

The moſt part of the Rebells that fled, ranne over the Bogges, and tooke the Woods.

This Regiment of Rebells, are about 2000 ſtrong. Their chiefe Commanders are,

Patricke Onell.
Teage Okell.
Charles Rowe.
William Rafter, taken priſoner.

Colonell *Topey* loſt in this Skirmiſh fifty-five men, that is, fifty foote, and five horſe.

FINIS.

A Deſcription of *Athigh*.

The Fort.

Colonell *Topy* and his Company.

The Rebells.